MINUTES

Brown County
Land Information Office (LIO) Committee
Wednesday, January 16, 2008

ROLL CALL:

Kerry Blaney	Χ	Ray Smith	Χ
Bill Bosiacki	Χ	Lynn Schwarm	Exc
Tammy Castonia	Χ	Jim Wallen	Χ
Robert Heimann	X	Cathy Williquette vice chair	Χ
Pat Ford	Χ	Lynn VandenLangenberg	Χ
Tom Hermsen	Χ	Mike Hronek	Χ
Chuck Lamine chair	X	Bernie Erickson	Χ
Jim Nickel	Exc		

Also present:

Jeff DuMez, Laura Workman, Tom Giese, and Francine Roberg.

1. Introduction of Bernie Erickson and Robert Heimann to the LIO Committee

Bernie Erickson introduced himself. He is the County Supervisor from District 7 and is the chairman of the Planning, Development and Transportation Committee.

Bob Heimann is the new Director of Information Services. He comes to Brown County with experience in Lincoln County and other places.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

2. Approval of the minutes from the July 18, 2007 LIO Committee meeting

Motion by Jim Wallen, seconded by Bill Bosiacki and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the July 18 2007 LIO Committee meeting.

BUSINESS:

1. Re-constitute the LIO Budget Task Force, set the goals and timeline

The committee discussed the need to get the LIO budget committee back together to prioritize expenditures and develop a sustainable budget. This needs to be done prior to budget development in summer. The committee discussed the history of the LIO budget, how it is a special revenue budget (not tax levy) that is based on real estate document recordings. Many different options were discussed, including bonding for aerial photography or other large projects. Lynn Vandenlangenberg stressed looking into appropriate use of the funds and making decisions from there.

The following people agreed to serve on the LIO Budget Task Force: Lynn VandenLangenberg, Chuck Lamine, Bill Bosiacki, Jim Wallen, Cathy Williquette, Bernie Erickson and Jeff DuMez.

2. Presentation on recent LIO activities

Jeff DuMez gave a 20 minute slideshow on recent developments on the Geographic Information System (GIS). The new "V2" GIS database is nearing completion. It now serves many different department across the county as well as external customers in other levels of government. The GIS database had grown considerably in recent years, reaching 8 million records stored in over 200 different GIS layers and related to many database tables. When the Planning, Property Listing and LIO departments merged 2 years ago, there was an need and opportunity to reorganize the entire system to make it more organized. Reducing redundancy and increasing editing efficiency is important given the small staff to maintain the records.

3. Any other matters

Motion by Bernie Erickson and seconded by Cathy Williquitte to adjourn. Adjourned at 2:00.